

PREDICT MANY CHANGES FOR NEW TAX BILL

Fifty Amendments to Be Considered Today—Agree to Alterations.

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port his argument that the tax bill would result in a huge government deficit at the end of this fiscal year. Mr. Cochran said that if the treasury went into the market for \$1,000,000,000 of money to help to pay expenses of the government, there would be a panic.

Reads Statements.

Reading official statements by former press. Wilson, and former democratic secretaries of the treasury urging repeal of the excess profits tax, Rep. Longworth told the democrats that in opposing this repeal they were "repudiating the democratic platform."

"You are getting your orders by telegraph from Scotland, N. C.," Mr. Longworth said, referring to minority Leader Kitchin's dispatch to the democratic caucus, urging solid democratic opposition to the bill. "I think the majority of my party made a mistake in deferring to January 1, next, the repeal of the higher surtaxes and excess profits taxes, but I acquiesce." These two taxes are the greatest speculators we have for industry and the greatest burdens on both producer and consumer."

DEMANDS OF RAIL BROTHERHOOD ARE REFUSED BY ROADS

Western Carriers Decline to Withdraw Requests for New Wage Cuts.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Demands of the "Big Five" railway brotherhoods to wipe out the recent wage cut, withdraw all further requests for wage decreases and cancel all demands for elimination of time and one-half for overtime, and yard service were refused Thursday by the western railroads on the grounds that these demands disregarded the public interest in economical operation and resultant lower freight and passenger rates.

The decision was announced at a conference between the executives of the brotherhoods and a committee representing the western carriers.

In declining the brotherhoods' request for the withdrawal of all demands for further wage decreases, the committee informed the brotherhoods' representatives that a "proper regard for the public interest in the operation of railroads does not permit the officers of the railroads to give assurance that such requests for further decreases will be withdrawn. This committee has no knowledge as to how many requests the railroads have made for further decreases, but there is demand on the part of the public for reduction in freight and passenger rates, and such reductions cannot be made under the present labor contract. There is no assurance that the cost of living will not be decreased within the next few months, and for the railroads to take the position that there would be no requests for decreased wages presented in lawful and orderly manner to the railway labor board, there could be no justification."

NAME BURNS CHIEF OF INVESTIGATION

Detective Succeeds Flynn as Chief of Department of Justice Bureau.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—William J. Burns of New York, head of the Burns detective agency, was appointed today by Atty. Gen. Daugherty as director of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice. Burns will sever his connection with the detective agency, taking charge of the bureau of investigation immediately, it was said.

When the attorney general announced the appointment of Burns, the resignation of William J. Flynn as head of the bureau had not been received. The attorney general notified Flynn that his successor had been appointed, however.

SAY WIRTH REGIME MAY RESIGN POSTS

Would Quit Rather Than Accept Demands—Negotiations in Deadlock.

BERLIN, Aug. 18.—German-American peace negotiations for a separate treaty were reported today to have reached a deadlock over the American demand that Germany must recognize responsibility for the world war.

Chancellor Wirth is consulting with leaders of the various factions and if no satisfactory solution is reached the Wirth cabinet may resign, opening the way for creation of a nationalistic ministry.

The Wirth government is the object of attacks from all quarters not only on account of the American peace demand, but because of the necessary tax burden, it is imposing upon the country and because of the threatened loss of Upper Silesia.

DELAY MEETING.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—The council of the League of Nations will meet at Geneva on Aug. 23 to take up the Upper Silesian issue instead of Aug. 20, as originally stated, it was announced officially today.

Cheerfulness is a duty we owe to others.

Beer Legislation Runs Into a New Stumbling Block

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to a modification that a warrant would not be required to search "other property," providing a prohibition officer had reason to believe the suspect was guilty, and if the search was not prompted by malice.

In other respects, the differences in the senate and house measures were reconciled, but they had not been expected to provoke a fight. Leaders said the house would accept the changes indicated, although they frankly expressed doubts as to the possible attitude of the senate, even if the senate managers should meet the house demands.

So pronounced was the opposition of house prohibition leaders to the Stanley amendment that they indicated privately a willingness to let the beer regulations be issued rather than accept it as drawn. At all events, there were grave doubts as to whether the bill could be sent to the president for his approval before the recess.

Reed Flays Wheeler.

The reported presence of Wayne E. Wheeler, general counsel for the Anti-Saloon league at the discussions of the house and senate conferences, which always has been secret, was denounced on the floor of the senate by Sen. Reed, democrat, Missouri, as unwarranted and unindicated insolence. Both Sen. Sterling and Mr. Wheeler denied that the latter had participated.

After the Reed attack, Mr. Wheeler issued a statement attacking the senator, which the latter obtained and read to the senate. This provoked another flurry. Sen. Reed and others indignantly denying that any filibustering had been attempted by the senate to delay passage of the bill. Sen. Reed declared that when the league attorney charged filibustering he knew "it was a deliberate, willful and premeditated falsehood."

SAY OFFICERS AIDED ESCAPE OF BERGDOLL

Committee Criticizes Act of Army Officials—Urge Hunt's Dismissal.

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charges that he had received \$5,000 from Mrs. Bergdoll in connection with her son's escape, was completely exonerated in both reports, while the majority commended Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian, for the seizure of the Bergdoll property. It was recommended in the majority report that Gen. Ansell be barred from future practice before any government department, before any court martial or in the "courts of the District of Columbia or the nation above whose safety and integrity he has placed past gold."

"Col. Hunt," the majority report stated, "within the next few months after he has participated so criminally in the escape of Bergdoll was promoted from major to colonel and immediately retired on the pay of \$3,600 a year. It becomes a serious question who is to pay this life long reward for his perfidy. An outraged nation has the right to demand that Col. Hunt's annuity be discontinued."

Dismissal from government service of Earl B. Wood, who had charge of the Bergdoll correspondence in the department of justice and who was charged with concealing certain important letters was recommended with the additional suggestion that he be forever disqualified from holding any appointive position with the government the majority of the committee did not charge directly that any one received money.

Cause is Money.

"The eye of man is far more easily deceived than is his mature reasoning and calm judgment," the committee stated. "Money may pass from hand to hand in an instant and at some obscure place and not be seen. While the passing of it may be proven beyond doubt, the consideration for which it did pass may be successfully disputed. On the other hand the full performance to be rendered may be established still the passing of money in payment of the service may be proved only by appeal from the eye to the mental consideration of a chain of established facts.

"Again that is the case.

"However, no witness willing to tell the whole truth, has seen the money actually pass, but everybody who heard or has read the testimony should be able to see an 'effect' which could not have been produced by any 'cause' except money.

"But with the advent into the case of him who, by his partner, has been moderately declared to be the 'highest authority in this country on military law,' we find sorcerer-like deception practiced upon the trustee. Next, we see a pained old man, overflowing with that generous spirit of acquiescence and lack of resistance that always accompanies those who grow old beautifully, placed and replaced in artist-like fashion whenever his name could best be commercialized.

(This reference is to Judge John W. Westcott, New Jersey lawyer.)

Review Case.

"Then we find the activities transferred to Washington and to Governor's Island. This transfer to Washington and Governor's Island was so absolute that even an official letter of warning sent from Philadelphia to Washington forecasting Bergdoll's escape within two weeks was hidden away in a pigeon hole, never to find its way to Bergdoll's prison, that he might be properly guarded.

"We see the commandant of the prison turn deaf, dumb and blind to every direction that might hinder Bergdoll's escape. Finally, and as a fitting sequel to this sordid tale, we find the derelict commandant of Governor's Island was prosecuted by one whose shame was measured only by his days. Following the flimsy pretense—only a pretense—at prosecution, the commandant's fate was given to a court composed of military officers who found him 'not guilty.'

"Bergdoll, escaped through the

Some Peaches! They're Hoosiers



Before Sec'y of Agriculture Wallace took that big bite, the peach measured 14 inches in circumference and weighed two pounds. The freckle-faced lad exhibiting the peaches is Joe Watson, son of Sen. Jim Watson. Joe defies any state to produce peaches larger, tastier or juicier than those grown in Indiana.

Indiana and Michigan Brief Wipe News

BIG RAPIDS— Glenn London, from whom promises a five-gallon still and a 50-gallon barrel of mash and whisky still warm from the stove were taken, confessed Wednesday afternoon and is out on bond pending opening of circuit court. His daughter, charged with intimidating an officer with a loaded shotgun, was sent home to her young children and will appear August 23.

GRAND RAPIDS—A recent report of the Grand Rapids Railway company shows that it operated at a deficit of \$1,452.73 for July.

HASTINGS—Farm bureaus of Orangeville and Prairieville will have a picnic at Shelp's resort, Pine Lake, Wednesday, Aug. 24. The speaker is James N. McBride, president of Michigan Wool Board association, and connected with the state wool department of the Michigan Farm bureau.

SAGINAW—Increased demand for Saginaw Valley coal for industrial purposes has made possible resumption of capacity operations at the Uncle Henry, Riverside and Shiawasee mines of the Consolidated Coal company. A slight increase in domestic demand also is noted.

CAUMMET—By ripening the wild berry crop three weeks earlier than usual, nature defeated plans of the Caummet Chamber of Commerce for the establishment of a community canning enterprise this year.

KALAMAZOO—The new manual Arts building of Western State normal here will be ready for occupancy with the opening of the fall term. The shop facilities of this building are said to rank with the finest in the country. One of the big features will be an auto mechanic shop.

KALAMAZOO—The city council has approved the installation of an oil separator to salvage oil, said to sometimes reach a depth of six inches in the city's sewage system, and prevent it from contaminating the water of the creek. City Engineer Clark told the council the oil would be suitable for road dressings.

FLINT—After many years active service in the ministry, Rev. J. M. Crandall, aged 80, pastor of the Methodist Protestant church here for the past year, has announced he will retire. He and Mrs. Crandall have gone to their home at Three Rivers, where they will reside.

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Parents of "Triplets" Inquire About "Premium"

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 18.—The official mail of the state of Indiana Thursday brought applications for "premiums" on triplets—two sets of them.

Mrs. L. C. Manwaring, of West Union, asked Deputy Treasurer Ben Urbahn for information regarding "money set aside for the care of triplets." A boy and two girls comprise her claim for a bonus.

The next mail brought word to Gov. McCray from a proud but anxious father who confessed that "if there is anything due me it certainly would come in handy now."

This applicant for the state triplet "premium" is J. O. Wingard, of Hammond. He is the father of two boys and a girl, each weighing 4 1/2 pounds.

Gov. McCray replied that, although there is no "premium" on triplets, there should be—and it should be increased for each additional "offense."

location of a supposed automobile thief had no connection with the Kennedy case. Officers of the Automobile Club of Southern California, who were working on the fleeing suspect case Thursday night, said they had undertaken to head off the man reported to have left there Wednesday night for Salt Lake City, in the belief that the man was one of the two "foreigners" who Mrs. Obenchain said brushed by her in a flight after Kennedy was shot.

BAR AMATEUR SLEUTHS

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Amateur investigators of the Kennedy-Burch-Obenchain case in Evanston will be "shooed out of town," according to Chief of Police Liggett, who says every "nut" in miles around is digging into the past lives of the Los Angeles murder mystery principals.

The chief is particularly interested in "Harry Lawrence," who appeared in Evanston Thursday with the announced intention that he was the representative of Dist. Atty. Woolwine of Los Angeles. Accompanied by an escort of reporters, "Lawrence" interviewed several persons who were reported to have said they saw Burch carrying a gun when he left for the west.

After his interviews, he announced to accompanying reporters, that "Burch and Obenchain are innocent."

"I have evidence another woman killed Kennedy," some press associations carried the story. Thursday Deputy Dist. Atty. Keyes at Los Angeles denied his office ever heard of Lawrence.

Fully 15 self-appointed investigators have called on Evanston families and gained admittance to their homes to question them about the college days of Mrs. Obenchain and Burch, Chief Liggett said.

FLINT—Extensive preparations are being made by the Flint Federation of Labor for Labor day celebration at Labor park.

FLINT—The Junior chamber of commerce, composed of 250 young men between the ages of 18 and 28, will assist Oakley Trainor post American Legion in a membership drive.

HOLLAND—Col. Wm Bertsch, of Holland, a veteran of four wars, died in San Francisco, Calif., Tuesday, according to word received here today. He was a graduate of Hope college and West Point. Death came from paralysis. Col. Bertsch was 82 years old.

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a Sweater

Waists—\$6.95 and \$10.00

A group of Crepe de Chines we are now showing includes several very pretty models with the vest and long roll collar trimmed in real file lace. There are also lovely pleated models in the V neck style. These Waists are white and could be worn very successfully with a Sweater or Jumper Dress.

Furs—Rich and elegant, the Fur Coats, Capes, etc., we are now presenting, really outclass the prices attached to them during the August Sale. They are of super beauty and quality, fit to be worn by those who choose the most exclusive in apparel—\$50 to \$4.95.

Furniture

Price is an important thing, but not the only thing to consider in selecting Furniture for your home. Style and quality must also be thought of. Our August Furniture Sale satisfactorily combines the three. Style and quality may be purchased at a low price.

Blankets

Although Dollar Day has made heavy inroads on our Blanket stocks we are still able to supply you with soft, fluffy Blankets for your protection from the cold this winter. We are augmenting our showing with handsome new Blankets which will be ready for your selection tomorrow. The August Sale prices still prevail—\$2.25 to \$30.00 a pair.

Special for Saturday!

For the convenience of those who were unable to be waited on in our great Dollar Day Sale, we will repeat for Saturday only our greatest bargain event.

Men's and Young Men's Suits

Choice of our entire Spring and Summer stock

\$25 and \$30 Values

\$15

\$35 and \$40 Values

\$20

\$45 and \$50 Values

\$25

Men's Trousers

\$3 and \$4 Values

\$2

\$5 Values

\$3

\$6 and \$7.50 Values

\$4

Boys' Suits

Choice of our entire Spring and Summer stock

Values to \$10

\$5

Values to \$20

\$10

Values to \$30

\$15

Livingston's

Washington near Michigan

WILL SPEED TRIAL OF INDICTED PAIR

Court to Give Burch-Madallyne Case Precedence—Obenchain Confident.

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day of the killing of Kennedy and abandoned it shortly after the slaying near Santa Monica, where a shotgun recently was found.

Police officers say that activities of their men in connection with the